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CLAIMS

I claim:

1. An improved paint roller comprising:

a pushrod whose end is located near the roller handle, positioned for use by the thumb of either hand grasping the handle, and whose other end is near the roller cage so that when said pushrod is pushed it impedes the free rotation of any household roller brush installed on the cage;

a pushrod tunnel which accommodates said pushrod, and

a compressible spring around said pushrod, with one end secured to said pushrod and the other end secured to the end of said pushrod tunnel.

2. The paint roller of claim 1, wherein the roller cage is located between two and ten centimeters of the end of the handle.

3. The paint roller of claim 2, wherein said pushrod tunnel is positioned lengthwise on the rotational plane of said roller cage at an angle relative to the handle of approximately ten to thirty degrees.

4. The paint roller of claim 3, wherein said pushrod tunnel passes through the handle.

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5. The paint roller of claim 2, wherein the end of said pushrod is threaded and accommodates a brush-protecting endpiece.
6. The paint roller of claim 5, wherein said pushrod tunnel passes through the handle.
7. The paint roller of claim 2, wherein said pushrod tunnel is positioned lengthwise on the rotational plane of said roller cage at an angle relative to the handle of approximately ten to thirty degrees, and the end of said pushrod is threaded and accommodates a brush-protecting endpiece.
8. The paint roller of claim 7, wherein said pushrod tunnel passes through the handle.
9. The paint roller of claim 1, wherein said pushrod tunnel is located on the rotational plane of said roller cage at an angle relative to the handle of approximately ten to thirty degrees.
10. The paint roller of claim 9, wherein the end of said pushrod is threaded and accommodates a brush-protecting endpiece.
11. The paint roller of claim 9, wherein said pushrod tunnel passes through the handle.

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12. The paint roller of claim 11, wherein the end of said pushrod is threaded and accommodates a brush-protecting endpiece.

13. The paint roller of claim 1, wherein the end of said pushrod is threaded and accommodates a brush-protecting endpiece.